

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **Carballo** § Art Unit: **Unknown**
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 For: **CHANNEL-BASED TESTING** §
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT
 Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above referenced application, please amend the case as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawings figures is attached following page 4 of this paper.